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Character Assassination of Rogelio CRUZ Wer.

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1. Rogelio CRUZ Wer, Chief of the Guardia Civil in Guatemala, has bought a house and finca near Democracia. Approximately eight months ago, Rogelio CRUZ Wer had to return his Buick to the dealer because he could not meet the payments. However, he is now negotiating for the purchase of a Cadillac, a sign that his affluence is now established.
2. Where possible, KUGOWN exploitation could be made of this item to show the growing importance of Communist CRUZ Wer and the fact that even his plot plans are no deterrent to his ascendancy.
3. It is realized that this is not a strong item, but it is being submitted simply to keep the CRUZ Wer story alive.

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